

**\*\*\* 2<sup>nd</sup> REVISED \*\*\***  
**State Corporation Commission**  
**2019 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**1. Bill Number:** SB1693

**House of Origin**    ☒ Introduced    ☐ Substitute    ☐ Engrossed  
**Second House**    ☐ In Committee    ☐ Substitute    ☐ Enrolled

**2. Patron:** Vogel

**3. Committee:** Commerce and Labor

**4. Title:** Health insurance; coverage for autism spectrum disorder.

**5. Summary:** Requires health insurers, health care subscription plans, and health maintenance organizations to provide coverage for the diagnosis and treatment of autism spectrum disorder in individuals through age 18. Currently, such coverage is required to be provided for individuals from age two through age 10. The provision applies with respect to insurance policies, subscription contracts, and health care plans delivered, issued for delivery, reissued, or extended on or after January 1, 2020.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No

**7. Fiscal Impact Estimates:** No fiscal impact on the State Corporation Commission or the Department of Human Resource Management.

**8. Fiscal Implications:** None on the State Corporation Commission or the Department of Human Resource Management.

**9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** State Corporation Commission, Department of Human Resource Management

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No

**11. Other Comments:** Senate Bill 1693 removes the age limit of 2 years to 10 years in § 38.2-3418.7 to provide coverage for the diagnosis and treatment of autism spectrum disorder in individuals of any age. The autism health insurance mandate was originally enacted in 2011, to provide coverage for individuals from 2 to 6 years old. In 2015, the age range was expanded to ages 2 to 10.

Senate Bill 1693 applies to fully-insured large employer groups only as specified in subsection F of § 38.2-3418.7.

House Bill 2577 is similar to Senate Bill 1693, but it makes the treatment of autism spectrum disorder available to an individual of any age.

This bill has been rereferred to Finance and there is also now a Substitute.

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